

# New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct

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April 20, 2011

### CERTIFIED MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

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Aaron S. Goldfein, M.D.

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RE: License No. 232882

Dear Dr. Goldfein:

Enclosed is a copy of the New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct (BPMC) Order No. 11-95. This Order and any penalty provided therein goes into effect April 27, 2011.

If the penalty imposed by the Order is a fine, please write the check payable to the New York State Department of Health. Noting the BPMC Order number on your remittance will assist in proper crediting. Payments should be directed to the following address:

Bureau of Accounts Management New York State Department of Health Corning Tower, Room 1717 Empire State Plaza Albany, New York 12237

Sincerely,

REDACTED

Katherine A. Hawkins, M.D., J.D. Executive Secretary Board for Professional Medical Conduct

cc: Jesse Adam Markas, Esq. Wachler & Associates 210 East Third Street, Suite 204 Royal Oak, MI 48067

NEW YORK STATE: DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL CONDUCT	
IN THE MATTER	CONSENT
OF	ORDER
AARON SCOTT GOLDFEIN, M.D.	BPMC No. 11-95

Upon the application of **AARON SCOTT GOLDFEIN, M.D.,** (Respondent), in the attached Consent Agreement, that is made a part of this Consent Order, it is

ORDERED, that the Consent Agreement, and its terms, are adopted and it is further

ORDERED, that this Consent Order shall be effective upon issuance by the Board, either by mailing of a copy of this Consent Order, either by first class mail to Respondent at the address in the attached Consent Agreement or by certified mail to Respondent's attorney, or upon facsimile or email transmission to Respondent or Respondent's attorney, whichever is first.

SO ORDERED.

DATED: 4/19/11

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KENDRICK A. SEARS, M.D. Chair State Board for Professional Medical Conduct

#### IN THE MATTER

CONSENT

OF

AGREEMENT

## AARON SCOTT GOLDFEIN, M.D. CO-10-03-1866-A

**AARON SCOTT GOLDFEIN, M.D.**, (Respondent), representing that all of the following statements are true, deposes and says:

That on or about June 18, 2004, I was licensed to practice medicine in the State of New York and issued license number 232882 by the New York State Education Department.

My current address is REDACTED , and I will advise the Director (Director) of the Office of Professional Medical Conduct (OPMC) of any change of my address within thirty (30) days, thereof.

I understand that the New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct (Board) has charged me with four (4) Specifications of professional misconduct.

A copy of the Statement of Charges, marked as Exhibit A, is attached to and part of this Consent Agreement.

I do not contest the four (4) Specifications, and agree to the following sanction:

Censure and Reprimand;

Should Respondent return to the practice of medicine in the State of New York, he shall be permanently restricted from prescribing controlled substances:

Respondent shall pay a \$2,500.00 fine, to be paid within thirty (30) days of the effective date of the Consent Order to the NYS Department of Health, Bureau of Accounts Management, Revenue Unit, Empire State Plaza, Corning Tower, Room 1717, Albany, NY 12237-0016.

Respondent shall comply fully with the State of Michigan, Board of Medicine, Consent Order, dated February 5, 2010, and the State of Michigan, Board of Pharmacy, Consent Order, dated March 10, 2010, and any extensions or modifications thereof.

Respondent shall provide a written authorization for the Michigan Boards to provide the Director of the Office of Professional Medical Conduct (OPMC) with any/all information or documentation as requested by OPMC to enable OPMC to determine whether Respondent is in compliance with the Michigan Orders.

Respondent shall submit semi-annually a signed Compliance Declaration to the Director of OPMC, which truthfully attests whether Respondent has been in compliance with the Michigan Orders during the declaration period specified.

Should Respondent return to the practice of medicine in the State of New York or in any jurisdiction where that practice is predicated upon Respondent's New York State medical license, Respondent shall provide ninety (90) days notice in writing to the Director, OPMC. The Director in his sole discretion, may impose whatever limitations, or further conditions, he deems appropriate.

I agree, further, that the Consent Order shall impose the following conditions:

That Respondent shall remain in continuous compliance with all requirements of New York Education Law § 6502 including, but not limited to, the requirements that a licensee shall register and continue to be registered with the New York State Education Department (except during periods of actual suspension) and that a licensee shall pay all registration fees. Respondent shall not exercise the option provided in New York Education Law § 6502(4) to avoid registration and payment of fees. This condition shall take effect 30 days after the effective date of the Consent Order and will continue so long as Respondent remains a licensee in New York State; and

That Respondent shall cooperate fully with the OPMC in its administration and enforcement of the Consent Order and in its investigations of matters concerning Respondent. Respondent shall respond in a timely manner to all OPMC requests for written periodic verification of Respondent's compliance with this Consent Agreement. Respondent shall meet with a person designated by the Director, OPMC, as directed. Respondent shall respond promptly and provide all documents and information within Respondent's control, as directed. This condition shall take effect upon the Board's issuance of the Consent Order and will continue so long as Respondent remains licensed in New York State.

I stipulate that my failure to comply with any conditions of the Consent Order shall constitute misconduct as defined by New York Education Law § 6530(29).

I agree that, if I am charged with professional misconduct in future, this Consent Agreement and the Consent Order shall be admitted into evidence in that proceeding.

I ask the Board to adopt this Consent Agreement.

I understand that if the Board does not adopt this Consent Agreement, none of its terms shall bind me or constitute an admission of any of the acts of alleged misconduct; this Consent Agreement shall not be used against me in any way and shall be kept in strict confidence; and the Board's denial shall be without prejudice to the pending disciplinary proceeding and the Board's final determination pursuant to New York Public Health Law.

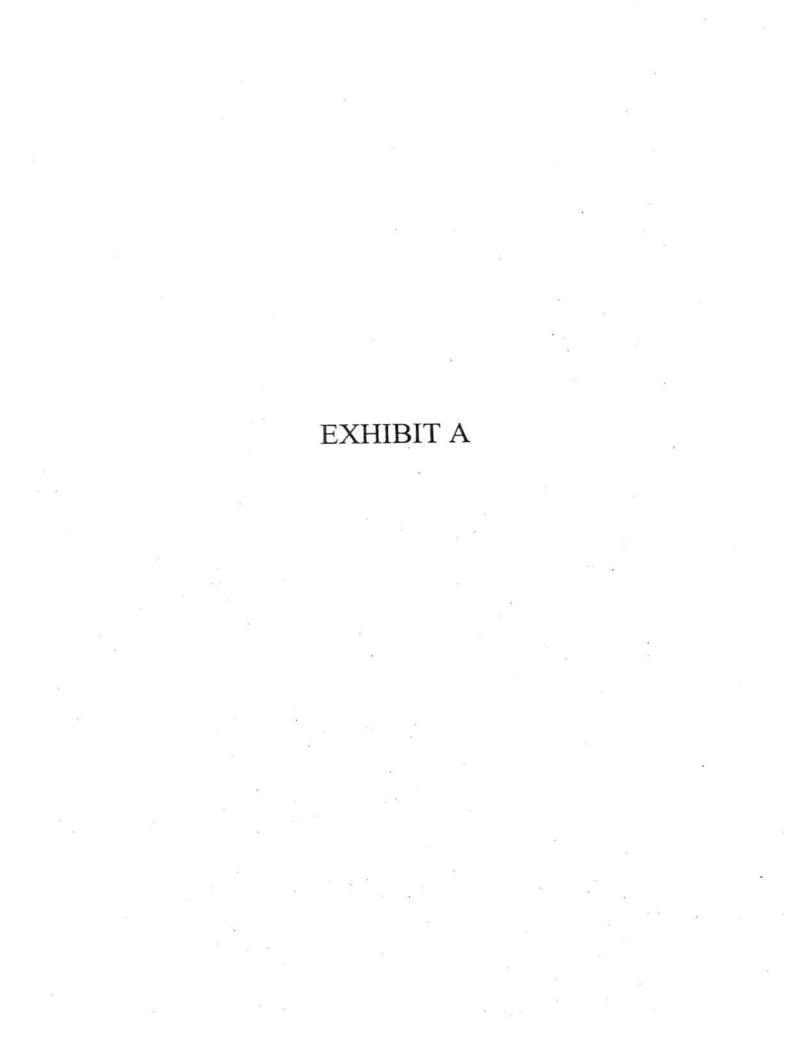
I agree that, if the Board adopts this Consent Agreement, the Chair of the Board shall issue a Consent Order in accordance with its terms. I agree that the Consent Order shall take effect upon its issuance by the Board, either by mailing of a copy of the Consent Order by first class mail to me at the address in this Consent Agreement, or to my attorney by certified mail, or upon facsimile or email transmission to me or my attorney, whichever is first. The Consent Order, this Consent Agreement, and all attached Exhibits shall be public documents, with only patient identities, if any, redacted. As public documents, they may be posted on the Department of Health website.

I stipulate that the proposed sanction and Consent Order are authorized by New York Public Health Law §§ 230 and 230-a, and that the Board and OPMC have the requisite powers to carry out all included terms. I ask the Board to adopt this Consent Agreement of my own free will and not under duress, compulsion or restraint. In consideration of the value to me of the Board's adoption of this Consent Agreement, allowing me to resolve this matter without the various risks and burdens of a hearing on the merits, I knowingly waive my right to contest the Consent Order for which I apply, administratively and/or judicially, I agree to be bound by the Consent Order, and I ask that the Board adopt this Consent Agreement.

I understand and agree that the attorney for the Department, the Director, OPMC, and the Chair of the Board each retain complete discretion either to enter into the proposed Consent Agreement and Consent Order, based upon my application, or to decline to do so. I further understand and agree that no prior or separate written or oral communication can limit that discretion.

	DATED: 3/23 ,2011	REDACTED  AARON SCOTT GOLDFEIN, M.D.  Respondent
	The undersigned agree to Respondent's at	tached Consent Agreement and to its
	proposed penalty, terms and conditions.	* *
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THE PERSON NAMED IN COLUMN TWO IS NOT THE PERSON NAMED IN COLUMN TWO IS NAM	DATE: 4/8/11 ,2011	REDACTED  JESSE ADAM MARKOS Attorney for Respondent
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	DATE: 4/13/11 ,2011	REDACTED  MICHAEL G. BASS Assistant Counsel Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct
	DATE: 4/19,2011	REDACTED KERHW. SERVIS Director Office of Professional Medical Conduct

AFFIRMED:



STATE OF NEW YORK	DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
STATE BOARD FOR PROFES	SIONAL MEDICAL CONDUCT

#### IN THE MATTER

STATEMENT

OF

OF

#### AARON SCOTT GOLDFEIN, M.D. CO-10-03-1866-A

CHARGES

AARON SCOTT GOLDFEIN, M.D., Respondent, was authorized to practice medicine in New York state on June 18, 2004, by the issuance of license number 232882 by the New York State Education Department.

## FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

- A. On or about February 5, 2010, the State of Michigan, Department Of Community Health Bureau Of Health Professions, Board Of Medicine, Disciplinary Subcommittee, (hereinafter "Michigan Board of Medicine"), by Consent Order, (hereinafter "Michigan Board of Medicine Order"), placed Respondent on Probation for a period of one (1) year and fined Respondent \$1,000. In the Michigan Board of Medicine Order, Respondent agreed that the Michigan Board of Medicine would treat the allegations set forth in the Administrative Complaint of March 3, 2009, as true. The Administrative Complaint of March 3, 2009, alleged that Respondent engaged in conduct that consisted of negligence or failure to exercise due care, including negligent delegation to or supervision of employees or other individuals, whether or not injury results, that Respondent's conduct evidenced a lack of good moral character, and that Respondent's conduct evidenced obtaining, possessing, or attempting to obtain or possess a controlled substance or drug without lawful authority, and/or selling, prescribing, giving away, or administering drugs for other than lawful diagnostic or therapeutic purposes.
- B. On or about March 10, 2010, the State Of Michigan, Department Of Community Health, Bureau Of Health Professions, Board Of Pharmacy, Disciplinary Subcommittee, (hereinafter Michigan Board of Pharmacy) by Consent Order, (hereinafter "Michigan Board of Pharmacy Order"), placed Respondent on Probation for a period of one (1) year and fined Respondent \$2,500. In the Michigan Board of Pharmacy Order, Respondent agreed that the Michigan Board of Pharmacy would treat the allegations in the Administrative Complaint of March 3, 2009, as true. The Administrative Complaint of March 3, 2009, alleged that on July 18, 2008, Respondent prescribed 80 mg of Oxycontin to two (2) patients prior to examining them

and that on September 24, 2008, Respondent prescribed 80 mg of Oxycontin for a patient whose medical record lacked clinical evidence to support the use of the medication.

- C. The conduct resulting in the Michigan Board of Medicine disciplinary action against Respondent would constitute misconduct under the laws of New York State, pursuant to the following sections of New York State law:
  - New York Education Law Sec.6530(3) (negligence on more than one occasion).
  - New York Education Law Sec. 6530(20) (moral unfitness).
- D. The conduct resulting in the Michigan Board of Pharmacy disciplinary action against Respondent would constitute misconduct under the laws of New York State, pursuant to the following sections of New York State law:
  - New York Education Law Sec. 6530(3) (negligence on more than one occasion).
  - New York Education Law Sec. 6530(32) (failure to maintain a record).

# SPECIFICATIONS FIRST AND SECOND SPECIFICATIONS

Respondent violated New York Education Law Sec. 6530(9)(b) by having been found guilty of improper professional misconduct by a duly authorized professional disciplinary agency of another state where the conduct upon which the finding was based would, if committed in New York state, constitute professional misconduct under the laws of New York state, in that Petitioner charges:

- 1. The facts in Paragraphs A and C.
- The facts in Paragraphs B and D.

# THIRD AND FOURTH SPECIFICATIONS

Respondent violated New York Education Law Sec. 6530(9)(d) by having disciplinary action taken by a duly authorized professional disciplinary agency of another state, where the conduct resulting in the disciplinary action would, if committed in New York state, constitute professional misconduct under the laws of New York state, in that Petitioner charges:

3. The facts in Paragraphs A and C.

The facts in Paragraphs B and D.

DATED: January 1, 2011
Albany, New York

REDACTED

PETER D. VAN BUREN
Deputy Counsel
Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct